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Glazier Retires as Executive Director of the Oklahoma Board of Nursing

Effective September 30, 2021, Kim Glazier will retire as Executive Director of the Board of Nursing and will move to the Washington D.C. area to be near her children and grandchildren. Kim has led, since 1999, the largest health-related Board in the State of Oklahoma. The Board of Nursing currently regulates 79,677 licensees and maintains records on 201,400 licensees.

Kim was a Board member on the Nursing Board from 1991 – 1993, and first worked for the Board of Nursing from 1994 – 1998 when she started, from the ground up, the Peer Assistance Program. Through her leadership, her team building skills and her willingness to provide transparency of data, Kim has ensured that the Oklahoma Board of Nursing is at the table in developing national best practices in nursing regulation. The Oklahoma Board of Nursing, an agency driven by both data and outcomes, has been recognized in the top ten in the nation specific to time taken to investigate complaints, as well as time taken to issue licenses.

In addition to being one of the first state boards of nursing to develop Simulation Guidelines for nursing education programs and to implement the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Consensus Model, Kim has been proactive in bringing down barriers to practice. In 2015, Kim requested legislation to add a remedial process for violations of the Nursing Practice Act that did not result in patient harm. With approval by the legislative body, the Corrective Action process was successfully implemented. In FY 2020, twenty-one percent of all cases were handled through the Corrective Action process.

Also in 2015, Kim requested and the legislative body granted authority for the Board to no longer conduct regularly scheduled survey visits (every five years) of approved Oklahoma nursing education programs accredited by national accrediting agencies. This removed duplicative work for the nursing education programs and reduced the number of programs surveyed by sixty-two percent.

In 2016, Kim requested and was provided legislative passage of the enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact for the State of Oklahoma, allowing Oklahoma to be in the first cohort of ten states in 2016 to pass the enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact. To-date, 38 states have passed the Nurse Licensure Compact, allowing for greater than two million nurses to practice across state lines without completing additional paperwork to practice nursing in the compact party states. The reciprocity afforded by the Nursing Licensure Compact has been invaluable as we combat the presence of COVID in our state. In 2019, Kim was elected by her peers at the national level to serve as Chair of the enhanced National Nurse Licensure Compact, a position she continues to hold at this time.

Through her vision, her courage, and her drive to leave nothing to chance, Kim has advanced nursing regulation in Oklahoma and nationwide. Board staff and Board members wish her a wonderful retirement.

Dr. Jenny Barnhouse Named Executive Director of the Board of Nursing

The Oklahoma Board of Nursing is proud to announce that Jenny Barnhouse, DNP, RN has been appointed by the Board as Executive Director of the Oklahoma Board of Nursing. Dr. Barnhouse replaces Kim Glazier who will retire effective September 30, 2021. Currently, both Barnhouse and Glazier are serving in the role.

Dr. Barnhouse, first licensed as a Registered Nurse in 1996, graduated with an Associates of Applied Science. She went on to earn her Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing, a Master of Science degree, and in 2016, earned her Doctorate of Nursing Practice degree from The George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

Dr. Barnhouse brings valuable experience in education, practice and leadership as she assumes the Executive Director position. Most currently, Dr. Barnhouse served as Coordinator of the Board of Nursing Peer Assistance program from 2016 to July of 2021. Prior to joining the Board of Nursing, she served as faculty at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, faculty at Eastern Oklahoma State College, and worked as a staff nurse and charge nurse in the acute care setting. Dr. Barnhouse's professional service encompasses state and national level initiatives.

As Executive Director of the Board of Nursing, Dr. Barnhouse will have the authority and responsibility for the operations and administration of the agency. She will manage all aspects of the agency including personnel, financial and other resources in support of the Oklahoma Nursing Practice Act, Rules and agency mission of protecting the public through nursing regulation. The Oklahoma Board of Nursing welcomes Dr. Barnhouse as Executive Director of the Board and looks forward to her leadership in nursing regulation for the State of Oklahoma!

Glazier Receives National Council of State Boards of Nursing R. Louise McManus Award!

Kim Glazier, Executive Director of the Oklahoma Board of Nursing, was honored by the National Council State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) with the prestigious R. Louise McManus Award. Individuals receiving this award have made sustained and significant contributions through the highest commitment and dedication to the mission and vision of NCSBN. R. Louise McManus (1896-1993) is widely recognized as a major figure in furthering the professionalism of nursing. Criteria for selection of this award include active leadership in NCSBN, substantial contributions to the improvement of nursing regulation, impacts public policy and development to enhance the health and well-being of individuals and the community, and contributes to the mission of NCSBN over a significant period of time.

Glazier has been active in NCSBN since 1999 and has spearheaded improvement in nursing regulation in the State of Oklahoma. Under her leadership and since 2002, the Board has participated in national benchmark outcomes comparisons, placing Oklahoma in the top ten nursing boards. In 2007, in response to the 2004 Institute of Medicine Report, "Keeping Patients Safe", the Oklahoma Board of Nursing participated in the national development of a root cause analysis process that allows nursing boards to distinguish human errors from willful negligence and intentional misconduct. From 2010 – 2015, the Board participated in national research centered on effective use of simulation in nursing education programs. In 2015, Glazier requested and the legislators approved to add a remedial process for violations of the Nursing Practice Act that did not result in patient harm. Also in 2015, she requested and the legislative body granted authority for the Board to no longer conduct regularly schedule survey visits of approved Oklahoma nursing education programs accredited by national accrediting agencies. In 2016, Oklahoma was one of the first state Boards of

Nursing to implement the national Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Consensus Model, a uniform model of regulation aligning licensure, accreditation, certification and education of APRNs. In 2016, Glazier requested passage of the enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact (eNLC) for the State of Oklahoma, allowing Oklahoma to be in the first cohort of ten states in 2016 who passed the eNLC. Glazier was the elected by her peers to serve as the first Chair of the enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact and will continue to serve in that position until her term ends on September 30, 2021.

The Board of Nursing is proud of you, Kim! Congratulations on being named as the prestigious 2021 R. Louise McManus Award recipient!

Prescriptions Issued by Advanced Practice Registered Nurses

The Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) (Certified Nurse Practitioner, Clinical Nurse Specialists and Certified Nurse Midwife) in accordance with the Oklahoma Nursing Practice Act and defined by the rules promulgated by the Board, may prescribe medications that are within the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse's scope of practice, subject to the medical direction of a supervising physician and an Exclusionary Formulary. The Exclusionary Formulary lists medications that shall not be prescribed by the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse with prescriptive authority. Prescriptive Authority shall not include dispensing drugs, but shall not preclude, subject to federal regulations, the receipt of, the signing for, or the dispensing of professional samples to patients, in accordance with the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse's scope of practice.

Prescriptions will comply with all applicable state and federal laws. There have been no recent changes to this section of the rules [OAC 485:10-16-8]. As a reminder, all prescriptions will include the following information:

- Name, title, address, and telephone number of the APRN who is prescribing.
- Name of the physician who is supervising prescriptive authority.
- Name of the client.
- Date of the prescription.
- Full name of the drug, dosage, route and specific directions for administration.
- DEA number of APRN, if required.

Written prescriptions shall include the signature of the APRN. Records of all the prescriptions will be documented in the client records. The *Rules* and the *Exclusionary Formulary for APRNs with Prescriptive Authority* can be viewed on the Oklahoma Board of Nursing website:

http://nursing.ok.gov/rules.html

http://nursing.ok.gov/prac-exclusfrm.pdf

Home Health Admission Orders

Senate Bill 388 passed the House and Senate this past legislative session, amending the Home Care Act (Act). The Act relates to home care; requiring eligibility certification and oversight of a patient's home care by a healthcare provider. The definition for "Healthcare provider" was amended to include Certified Nurse Practitioners and Clinical Nurse Specialists. The amended language reads: "Healthcare provider" means a physician, physician assistant or Advanced Practice Registered Nurse recognized by the Oklahoma Board of Nursing as a Certified Nurse Practitioner or a Clinical Nurse Specialist [63 O.S. 2011 §1-1961(4)].

The amended section of law is retroactive and shall apply to any eligibility certification conducted on or after March 27, 2020. The Governor signed the Act April 21, 2021.

Seeking Peer Assistance Committee Members

The purpose of the Peer Assistance Program is to provide a structured, voluntary program to rehabilitate nurses whose competency may be compromised because of the abuse of drugs or alcohol, so that such nurses can be treated and can return to or continue the practice of nursing in a manner which will benefit the public [59 O.S.567.17(A)]. One of the most important components of the Peer Assistance Program is the Peer Assistance Committee ("Committee"). The Program relies on volunteer Committee members to operate. The Committee members are appointed by the Board of Nursing to three (3) year terms and donate approximately seven (7) days per year to the Program to fulfill their duties. These duties include determining whether to accept applicants into the Program, establishing the terms of the participant contract, monitoring the participant's progress in maintaining sobriety and compliance with the contract, and determining when the participant has met the criteria for successful completion or when the participant should be terminated from the Program for noncompliance or failure to progress.

If you have expertise in substance use disorders and would like to be considered for appointment to the Committee contact:

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Supervising Physician Change to be Submitted Within 30 Days

Submit Change in Prescriptive Authority Supervising Physicians Within 30 Days of the Change

The Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (Certified Nurse Practitioner, Clinical Nurse Specialist, and Certified Nurse Midwife), in accordance with the Oklahoma Nursing Practice Act, may prescribe medications that are within the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse's scope of practice, under the medical direction of a supervising physician and an Exclusionary Formulary. Changes to the written statement between the APRN and supervising physician **must be filed with the Board of Nursing within thirty (30) days of the change**, and shall be effective upon filing [Oklahoma Board of Nursing Rules, OAC 485:10-16-5(b)]. To add and/or delete any supervising physicians, submit a Change Request and fee as found in the Other Applications link in your Nurse Portal account within 30 days of the date of addition or deletion.

Do You Want a License Expiration Reminder?

The National Council of State Boards of Nursing provides the Nursys e-Notify system resources to both licensed nurses and employers of licensed nurses. Nursys e-Notify is an innovative national nurse licensure notification system that provides real-time notifications, alerting the subscribed party when changes such as license status, license expiration, pending license renewals and public disciplinary action are made to a nurse's license record. Nursys e-Notify is a FREE, convenient way for nurses to receive license expiration reminders and status updates of their nursing license, and to track license verifications for endorsement. Licensed nurses and employers of licensed nurses may subscribe to the service FREE of charge at https://www.nursys.com/EN/ENDefault.aspx.

Name and Address Changes

Convenient Way to Provide Name and Address Changes

Name changes and address changes can now be provided through your Nurse Portal Account. To make the name change, you will create an individual account through the Nurse Portal https://okbn.boardsofnursing.org/okbn. Name Changes are submitted through the *Other Application* link in your Nurse Portal account. In addition to providing your change of name, please upload a certified copy of the legal document changing your name to the newly requested name. If needed, additional instructions for creating your account can be viewed at: http://nursing.ok.gov/nurseportalinfo.pdf. To change your address, access your Nurse Portal Account, click on "Manage Profile". Next, click on "Demographics", scroll to "Contact Information". To complete the process, click on "+ Change Address",

Recent Policy Revisions

The following policy has been revised/approved and is available for review by hyperlink provided.

Approved during the May 2021 Board Meeting CRNA Inclusionary Formulary, #P-50 http://nursing.ok.gov/prac-crnafrm.pdf

noted on the right-hand side of the page, and enter your new address.

All guidelines are available at: http://nursing.ok.gov/prac1.html

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http://nursing.ok.gov/pubs.html
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